



Department of Energy Lessons Learned Program

DOE Lessons Learned Web Site

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What is the DOE Lessons Learned Web Site?

The Department of Energy (DOE) Lessons Learned Web Site is an Internet gateway to lessons learned information from DOE internal activities, other government agencies, and the private sector. The Society for Effective Lessons Learned Sharing maintains the site and provides information as a service to safety professionals and others engaged in improving operational safety and efficiency.

How to Access the Web Site

From the World Wide Web (WWW), type the following Uniform Resource Locator (URL):

<http://tis.eh.doe.gov/ll>

Content

The Web site includes a searchable database of lessons learned, including the lessons promulgated via the Lessons Learned List Server. Users can develop customized searches based on key words, functional categories, or other specifications. Lessons in the database can contain graphics as well as text. Some lessons learned documents are too large to include directly in the database, like the *Waste Vitrification Lessons*

Learned report. In these cases, the database entry contains a synopsis, data to help find the lesson, and a hyperlink to the actual document.

The site also contains the Lessons Learned Standard and a number of Fact Sheets in PDF format for on-line reading or printing. Information about the Society for Effective Lessons Learned Sharing, links to other related sites, and an on-line form for submitting a lesson are also available.

If you find a new Web site with useful lessons learned information, please inform a SELLS member or the contacts below so the site can be considered for adding to the links on the DOE site.

Lessons Learned Database Options

The Lessons Learned Web Site's database contains lessons indexed by priority descriptor, hazard, work/function, keyword, date, and identifier. Lessons may be viewed by browsing or searching. Browsing by year or category presents a list of lesson summaries with hyperlinks to the full text. Searches on any of the lesson content fields can produce focused results. See the discussion of the format of lessons learned documents in Section 5.2 and Appendix A of the Lessons Learned Standard (available on the Web site's Documents and Information page) for details of the information available in each section of a lesson. Since many of the fields are text, an effective general

search option is to search by key words or phrases. Combination searches are easily constructed by picking several items from selection boxes, plus keywords. Selection box lists default to "all items" if none are selected. If no selections are made in any area, then all lessons are returned. Searching on the identifier can locate lessons from a particular site.

Contact Point

If you have ideas for improving this site or questions on developing your own lessons learned page, please contact:

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DOE Lessons Learned Program Fact Sheets, by the Society for Effective Lessons Learned Sharing (SELLS), are available from the DOE Lessons Learned Web Site:

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